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THE Pictorial Edition of the Grayson County Gazette is a very handsome edition and contains an unusual array of strictly local business write-ups.

CAN there be an educational qualification law for voters passed by the Legislature without holding an election for a constitutional amendment on the subject?

HARRY SOMMERS, editor and publisher of the Elizabethtown News, is publishing a book entitled "In Three Continents" which is expected to issue from the press about the middle of December. It is said to be written in his own straightforward and interesting style, and to record the chief things of interest in a trip abroad made by the author in the early months of this year. His many friends are anticipating a treat.

It is proposed to bridge the power of the Ohio river that has wasted at the Louisville falls since power became a factor in West bound life and civilization. According to published statements, that great end is believed by scientists to be a possibility of the near future, and the falls of the Ohio at our State metropolis will furnish power to great manufacturing and electric city and suburban lines. This has been hoped for for many years and whether the present ideas are feasible remains to be developed.

THE announced wedding for the New Year of Mr. W. Q. Adams, publisher of the Owensboro Inquirer, and Miss Grace Tindler, of Madisonville, is bringing a hearty round of well deserved congratulations and applause from the newspaper boys of the State. Mr. Adams is one of the best newspaper men and best fellows in Kentucky and deserves all the happiness that can come to him in the high estate of matrimony.

THE American Federation of Labor, in national convention assembled at Boston last week did some notable things, but adjourned without acting upon two hundred and forty of the resolutions offered during the six days session. In fact only about forty resolutions were acted upon. The Federation objected seriously to the employment of Chinese and Japanese as laundry workers in the Navy Department and proposes to get those jobs for naturalized unionists. Another weighty action of the convention was to declare it an outrage for railroads to require the signatures of purchasers on excursion tickets sold at reduced rates. And here was a master stroke for a ticket scalpers' union. The Executive Council of that organization was, furthermore, directed to endeavor to have the tobacco workers of the South organized. It is not announced whether they will begin in the factories this winter or wait until the workers go out to grow a new crop next year. Until the movement takes definite shape there will still be chewing and smoking tobacco within reach.

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### The Negro Vote in Kentucky.

The suggestion that the "negro question" be solved in Kentucky by enacting an educational qualification for voters, makes it interesting to know exactly how such a law would affect the whole voting population. An educational qualification would, of course, have to apply to all voters alike. According to the census of 1900, there were 543,996 males of voting age in Kentucky. Of these 469,209 were white and 74,787 were negroes. According to the decennial rate of increase between 1890 and 1900 the total number of males of voting age now would be 568,475. Of these 490,320 are white and 78,090 are negroes.

There were in 1900 65,517 white illiterates of voting age, and 36,990 negro illiterates of voting age. The increase since then is not material, the whites now being about 68,000 and the negroes about 38,000. Of course, the number of illiterates who do not vote is large, and is perhaps reasonable to assume that at least 50 per cent. of the illiterates of both races do not vote. An educational qualification would leave about 422,000 whites of voting age and about 40,000 negroes of voting age.

It is a curious fact that, while the total population of Kentucky shows one negro for every 61 white persons, the ratio of negro to white voters is 1 to 7. In the recent election in the cities and towns the negro vote was well divided. Thousands did not vote at all, in fact, and yet their names were voted for them by hired repeaters of their own race, just as the names of white voters were so voted. It is not probable that 30,000 negro votes were actually cast in the whole State, and these were not all on the Republican side, simply because no national issues were involved.

The "negro question" will not be solved by an educational qualification that will leave the franchise in the hands of 40,000 negro voters. As a practical question of race prejudice, 40,000 black voters are quite as objectionable as 80,000 black voters. The protest is not against negro ignorance; the protest is a racial one, founded upon color and previous class conditions and prejudices. The ignorance and degradation of negro voters are, of course, much greater in proportion to their numbers than among white voters, but the elimination of both these will not remove the final prejudice of race.

It is interesting, also, to inquire whether an educational qualification can be constitutionally adopted. The Constitution, under the head of "Suffrage and Elections," says:

Every male citizen of the United States of the age of twenty-one years, who has resided in the State one year, and in the county six months, and in the precinct in which he offers to vote sixty days, next preceding the election, shall be a voter in said precinct and not elsewhere.

Felons, prisoners, idiots and insane persons are then excepted

specifically, and the following sections provide that laws shall be enacted by which persons "illiterate, blind and in any way disabled may have their ballots marked" for the purpose of voting by secret ballot. Thus it was specially provided that illiterates should vote if they wanted to, and even encouraged and assisted to vote, and this would seem to prohibit the adoption of an educational qualification except by amendment to the Constitution. This could, doubtless, easily be carried.

Whether this will be the program of the coming General Assembly is not clear. But that some measure to disfranchise as much as possible of the negro vote will be adopted, there is no doubt. It will not, however, solve the "negro question." As long as a thousand of them can vote it will be used by agitators and demagogues to further their purposes.—Louisville Herald.

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It is read in thousands of homes every week, just when the women are planning their shopping for Saturday.

Wouldn't it be profitable for you to talk to them at that time? Think it over.

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### The Century's New Cover.

The new cover of The Century, which has made the November issue stand out boldly on every newsstand and bookseller's counter, is being commended by readers and critics as "artistic," "dignified," and "unusually attractive." It is of simple architectural design, in ivory, black and Venetian red, on a soft olive-green; and is said to be the only permanent magazine cover at the present time in which green is the predominant tone.

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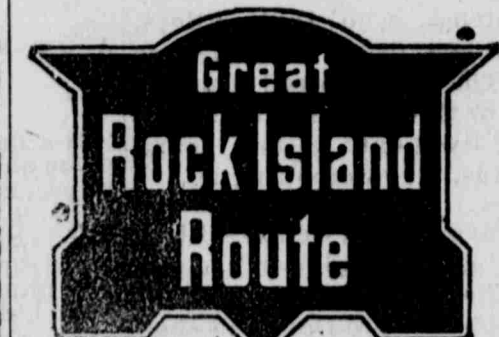
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## Who Has Learned?

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